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NOTE BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE SECURITY COUNCIL

1. The President of the Security Council has the honour to refer to the statement which he made at the 3120th meeting of the Council, on 6 October 1992, in connection with the situation in Angola (S/24623).

2. In this statement mention was made, in particular, of the decision by the Security Council to send to Angola as quickly as possible an ad hoc Commission, composed of members of the Council, to support the implementation of the peace agreements, in close cooperation with the Special Representative of the Secretary-General. The statement also indicated that the membership of that Commission would be established in the near future following consultations among the members of the Council.

3. In accordance with this decision, the President has held consultations with the members of the Council. Following these consultations, the members have agreed that the ad hoc Commission should comprise the following four members of the Council: Cape Verde, Morocco, the Russian Federation and the United States of America.

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LETTER DATED 8 OCTOBER 1992 FROM THE PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVE OF BOSNIA AND HERZEGOVINA TO THE UNITED NATIONS ADDRESSED TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE SECURITY COUNCIL

I have the honour to present to you the attached letter, dated 7 October 1992, from the President of the Republic of Bosnia and Herzegovina, H.E. Mr. Alija Izetbegovic.

May I ask for your kind assistance in circulating this letter as a document of the Security Council.

(Signed) Muhamed SACIRBEY
Ambassador
and Permanent Representative

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Annex

Letter dated 7 October 1992 from the President of the Republic of Bosnia and Herzegovina addressed to the President of the Security Council

Heavy destruction of towns of Maglaj and Gradacac in northern Bosnia by the aggressor's air force continue. Both towns are disappearing in the fire caused by cluster and inflammable bombs.

In Bosanski Brod, also in northern Bosnia, the aggressor expelled all of its citizens into Croatia.

Sarajevo is burning sector by sector. The aggressor is concentrating its firepower on residential buildings, using inflammable artillery. The whole city continues to be without water, electricity, gas or heating fuel. Our hospitals have been without water or electricity for weeks now.

Excellency, as a Member of the United Nations, the Republic of Bosnia and Herzegovina is entitled to certain rights in the face of outside aggression. The Security Council has passed numerous resolutions intended to protect those rights. However, the Security Council refuses to resolutely implement and enforce any of the resolutions.

It is our understanding that the Security Council is considering another such resolution. A resolution which would establish a "no-fly zone".

Excellency, such a zone has already been established at the London Conference five weeks ago. The aggressor agreed to it and the London Conference accepted their promise. The United Nations was a co-sponsor of this accord, and by extension, the Security Council accepted this accord as final.

Excellency, a "no-fly zone" resolution which would not include immediate enforcement will only allow for continued aggression from the air and result in hundreds or even thousands of unnecessary deaths and certainly tens of thousands of new victims of ethnic cleansing. In turn, these new refugees will become an added burden to the already desperate humanitarian relief effort.

(Signed) Alija IZETBEGOVIC

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LETTER DATED 8 OCTOBER 1992 FROM THE CHAIRMAN OF THE STATE COUNCIL OF THE REPUBLIC OF GEORGIA ADDRESSED TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE SECURITY COUNCIL

The military aggression unleashed by mercenaries from the North and Abkhaz secessionists against Georgia, a sovereign Member State of the United Nations, is continuing and increasing in scope and intensity. Up to the present time all attempts of peaceful diplomacy have not yielded any positive results.

According to reliable sources reaching us from the occupied territory, mass executions of Georgian civilian population, widespread torture, rape and other atrocities are being committed. It is hard to believe that such barbaric acts can be happening in the twentieth century.

On behalf of the Government of Georgia, I would like to appeal to the members of the Security Council through you to consider setting up a War Crimes Commission to collect evidence of possible atrocities committed in Georgia. Georgia is ready to fully cooperate with such a commission and to furnish photographs, video films, witness depositions and other relevant material that might be deemed appropriate.

I would be grateful if you would circulate this letter as a document of the Security Council.

(Signed) Eduard SHEVARDNADZE
Chairman of the State Council

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